PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Nobumasa ABE

Appln. No.: 10/617,875

Confirmation No.: 3427

Filed: July 14, 2003

Docket No: Q76514

Group Art Unit: 2852

Examiner: GRAINGER, Quana Mashell

For: TANDEM-TYPE IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS WITH TRANSFER BELT

EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For						
All Claims	9	-	16	=		X	$50.00	=	$.00
Independent	4	-	3	=	1	X	$200.00	=	$200.00
						TOTAL		=	**$200.00**

A check for the statutory fee of $200.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
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In response to the Office Action dated September 14, 2004, please amend the above-

identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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